SUMMARY

THE FORGED BANKNOTE OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE OF THE KINGDOM OF SERBS, CROATS AND SLOVENES OF 1000 DINARS/4000 CROWNS FROM 1920

The banknote issued by the Ministry of Finance of the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes of 1000 dinars/4000 crowns from 1920 is one of the most collectible banknotes, and only the best numismatic collections have it. The 1000 dinars/4000 crowns banknote is rarely offered for sale on the collectors’ market, and when it is, it fetches a substantial price, and due to its extreme rarity, not only when it is in top quality. It is also interesting for European and world numismatists. As the 1000 dinars/4000 crowns banknote is not one of the dinar/crown banknotes from 1919 and 1920 that have been forged on many occasions, counterfeits of this banknote are extremely rare.

The existence of counterfeit banknotes issued by the Ministry of Finance of the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes of 1000 dinars/4000 crowns from 1920 is mentioned in monetary, criminological and numismatic literature. In addition, pictures and descriptions of the 1000 dinars/4000 crowns forgeries have been published in numismatic literature. This article points out inaccuracies and weaknesses in earlier accounts, and on the basis of archival documents it gives descriptions of the features of this forgery and the differences between the real and forged banknotes of 1000 dinars/4000 crowns from 1920.

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